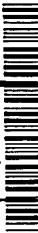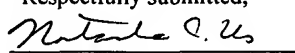| UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL (Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 CFR 1.53(b)) | Attorney Docket No. | ASC-022CPCN |
| | First Named Inventor | Wu |
| | Title | ETCH STOP LAYER SYSTEM |

**APPLICATION ELEMENTS**

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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

1. ☒ Fee Transmittal Form

2. ☐ Small Entity Status
  ☐ Applicant claims small entity status
  ☐ Status established in prior application and is still proper and desired

**ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS**

3. ☒ Specification and Drawings [Total Pages 62]
  - Cover Sheet - (1 page)
  - Written Description - (31 pages)
  - Claims - (14 pages)
  - Abstract - (1 page)
  - Sheets of Drawings - (15 sheets)
    ☒ Informal

8. ☐ 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement (*when there is an assignee*)
  ☐ Power of Attorney

9. ☐ English Translation Document (*if applicable*)

10. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449
  ☐ Copies of IDS Citations

4. ☒ Oath or Declaration [Total Pages ]
  a. ☐ Newly executed (original)
  b. ☒ Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d))
  (*for continuation/divisional with Box 17 completed*)
  [Note Box 5 below]

11. ☒ Preliminary Amendment
  ☐ Drawings [Total Sheets ]

12. ☒ Return Receipt Postcard (*specifically itemized*)

5. ☒ Incorporation by Reference (usable if Box 4b is checked) The entire Disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied under Box 4b, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.

13. ☐ Certified Copy of Priority Document(s) (*if foreign priority claimed*)

14. ☐ Nonpublication Request Under 35 U.S.C. 122(b)

6. ☒ Application Data Sheet

15. ☐ CD in duplicate for large table or computer program

7. ☐ Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission
  ☐ Computer Readable Form (CRF)
  ☐ Paper Copy (identical to computer copy)
  ☐ CD (2 copies) (identical to computer copy)
  ☐ Statement verifying identity of above copies

16. ☒ Other:
- Power of Attorney by Assignee of Entire Interest and Revocation of Prior Powers and New Power of Attorney
-- Transmittal of Formal Drawings
-- Formal Drawings (15 sheets)

17. ☒ If a CONTINUING APPLICATION: Amend the specification by inserting on page 1, before the first line, the sentence:
--This is a
  ☒ continuation of prior application Serial No. 09/599,260, filed on June 22, 2000, which is a continuation-in-part of application Serial No. 09/289,514 filed April 9, 1999, which claims priority from provisional application Serial No. 60/081,301, filed April 10, 1998, the entire disclosure of which is incorporated by reference herein.--
  **Priority to the above application(s) is claimed under 35 U.S.C. 120.**
  Prior application information: Examiner: _____. Group/Art Unit: _____.

18. ☒ **Priority - 35 U.S.C. 119**
  ☒ Priority of application Serial No. 60/081,301 filed on April 10, 1998 in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is claimed under 35 U.S.C. 119.
  ☐ The certified copy has been filed in prior U.S. application Serial No. _____/_____ on _____.
  ☐ The certified copy will follow.

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2. ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to credit or charge any fee indicated below for this submission to Deposit Account No. 20-0531.
   - ☐ Required Fees (copy of this sheet enclosed).
   - ☒ Additional fee required under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17.
   - ☒ Overpayment Credit.

3. ☐ Applicant claims small entity status.

## FEE CALCULATION

### 1. FILING FEE

**Large Entity**

| Fee ($) | Fee Description | Fee Paid |
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| 750 | Utility filing fee | 750.00 |
| 330 | Design filing fee | |
| 160 | Provisional filing fee | |

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| ☐ Multiple Dependent Claim(s), if any | | | $280.00 = | |

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| 50 | 25 | Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet | |
| 130 | 130 | Non-English specification | |
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| 110 | 55 | Extension for reply within first month | |
| 410 | 205 | Extension for reply within second month | |
| 930 | 465 | Extension for reply within third month | |
| 1450 | 725 | Extension for reply within fourth month | |
| 1970 | 985 | Extension for reply within fifth month | |
| 320 | 160 | Notice of Appeal | |
| 320 | 160 | Filing a brief in support of an appeal | |
| 280 | 140 | Request for oral hearing | |
| 130 | 130 | Petitions to the Commissioner | |
| 180 | 180 | Submission of Information Disclosure Statement | |
| 750 | 375 | Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR 1.129(a)) | |
| 750 | 375 | For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR 1.129(b)) | |
| 100 | 100 | Certificate of Correction for applicant's error | |

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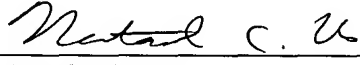## TRANSMITTAL OF FORMAL DRAWINGS

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing in the above-referenced patent application are fifteen (15) sheets of formal drawings.

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